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For (Title):

HONEYCOMB STRUCTURE, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING HONEYCOMB

STRUCTURE, AND EXHAUST GAS PURIFICATION SYSTEM USING HONEYCOMB

STRUCTURE

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\boxtimes	Formal drawings (Figs. 1-10; 7 sheets) are attached.
	Use Figure for front page of Publication.
\boxtimes	A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.
	This application claims benefit of Provisional Application No filed
	(A Preliminary Amendment is attached to reflect this claim in the Specification if not already present.)
\boxtimes	This patent application is assigned to NGK INSULATORS, LTD
	The executed Assignment is filed herewith.
	An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.
\boxtimes	Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.
	A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.
\boxtimes	Priority of foreign application No. 2002-297708 filed October 10, 2002 in Japan is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).
	A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.
	This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 112(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that
	the invention disclosed in this application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another
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